

FIRE RESTRICTIONS ZUNI INDIAN RESERVATION



Upon the recommendations of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Zuni Agency, Branch of Forestry, the Pueblo of Zuni is imposing **Fire Restrictions** on the Zuni Indian Reservation. These restrictions are necessary due to the high to extreme fire danger resulting from prolonged dry weather. To ensure the protections of the Reservation's people, property and natural resources, the following acts are **prohibited**:

Building, maintaining, attending, or using fire, campfire, warming fire, cooking fire or charcoal fire, except in campgrounds or picnic grounds using the provided grills or rings. Fires for ceremonial purposes and the use of traditional cooking ovens are allowed.

Trash burning outside.

Operating or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark-arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order.

Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is void of all burnable material.

Utilizing a charcoal grill, gas grill, or oven at a residence is allowed. Locate grill in an area clear of flammable vegetation. Don't cook outside on windy days. Have someone stay with the grill or oven until it is completely out. Have water and a shovel close by in case of an escape. The BIA Zuni Agency, Branch of Forestry, may conduct prescribed burning when weather conditions allow for safe burning under controlled conditions.

Everyone is reminded of Zuni Law and Order Code §4-4-124: *Possession, buying, selling, distributing, activating, igniting, or detonating any firecracker or other firework type device is* **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**. *A fireworks offense is a Class C offense and is punishable with up to 45 days in jail and a \$100.00 fine.*

Report any wildland fires to the BIA, Zuni Agency, Branch of Forestry, at (505) 782-3375. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Mr. Bryston Bowannie, Acting Fire Management Officer, at (505) 782-3357.

Restrictions are used to reduce the chance of human-caused wildland fires and will remain in effect until sufficient precipitation is received.

This ORDER of FIRE RESTRICTION is signed and effective February 28, 2006.

/S/ Carmelita Sanchez, Lt. Governor for Arlen P. Quetawki, Sr., Governor

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Clayton Seoutewa, BIA Zuni Agency, Superintendent